THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

DEMAND FOR COIR PRODUCTS

3149. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the demand for coir and coir products has increased world-wide ;

(b) if so, what is India's share in the international coir exports ;

(c) what steps are being taken to develop export markets ; and

(d) what were the coir export earnings during the last three years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Yes, Sir, the demand for coir and coir products has increased world-wide.

(b) India's share in the international coir export during 1992-93 is 32354 tonnes which works out to 30 per cent of the world trade.

(c) The Coir Board, which is a statutory body, has taken various measures to boost the export of coir and coir products in the International market. The Board has undertaken joint publicity programme with coir importers Associations abroad for promoting consumption of Indian Coir in European countries. The Board also participates in International exhibitions and organises market development delegations to these countries.

(d) Export earnings during the last three years are given below :

Year	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
1990-91	4832.85
1991-92	7411.63
1992-93	9595.31

REVIVAL PLAN FOR BHARAT OPHTHALMIC GLASS LIMITED

3150. SHRI GAYA SINGH :

SHRI JIBON ROY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Unions, Officers Association and Management jointly submitted revival plan of Bharat Ophthalmic Glass Limited on 28th July, 1993 to the Department of Heavy Industry, being the promoter of the company, for onward transmission to BIFR/IDBI.

(b) whether it is also a fact that till November, 1993, the Department of Heavy Industry have not suggested any modification of the said revival plan to the company since they have accepted it in totality and sent it to BIFR/IDBI as a revival plan of promoter ; and

(c) if not, what are the details of Government support proposed to be extended for revival of the company ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) to (c) The joint revival plan submitted by Unions, Officers' Association and Management of Bharat Ophthalmic Glass Ltd. in July 1993, has been forwarded to IDBI, the Operating Agency nominated by the BIFR, for